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EDITORIAL

The fixtures list is starting to fill up as it usually does in the Autumn which is encouraging. The galoppen series starts with two events in October, followed by two more in November, leaving just five events in 2012.

This year the AGM will be held after the SW Sprint Championships which are in a new venue, Poundbury , which is very close to Dorchester. Please note that there is **NO** entry on the day. The SWOA is your association; please make an effort to attend the AGM and make your views known.

It was good to see a large number of SW competitors up at the Scottish 6 Days. Well done to you all, it was a very worthwhile trip to a very scenic part of Scotland. The tidal race under the Connel Bridge was something to behold. The sea lochs go for a very long distance inland and the tidal rise and fall is very great.

I would appreciate some accounts of other holiday orienteering trips as well as those undertaken when representing your country.

Susan Hateley

Volunteers

can improve their employment prospects

SWOA NEWS

SWOA AGM

This will be held on Sunday 2nd October, after the SWOA Sprint Championships at Poundbury, Dorchester. The venue will be at the event HQ; the start time (probably 4.30pm) will be advised in the event final details. The agenda has been sent to clubs and is available from me on request.

Arthur Vince, SWOA Secretary

NEW SWOA TREASURER NEEDED

Trevor Bridle has given very efficient and faithful service since 1997, and he did another stint well before that as well. He intends to retire at the AGM due to the pressure of other commitments, so someone is being sought to take his place. SWOA can function reasonably well without a chairman, but without a treasurer to operate the bank account things would soon go awry - no officials' expenses, no grants cheques, event levies not dealt with, no payment for room hire for committee meetings or SINS or Galoppen prizes, and quite a few other awkward things besides. The job has been combined for many years with that of the Membership Secretary, which is sensible as that involves financial dealings with British Orienteering. Obviously, some financial common sense, and the ability to deal with simple accounting spreadsheets is required. All the SWOA club treasurers have been approached to take on the job, without success.

For more information about the details of the job, contact Trevor. To make an offer, contact the SWOA Secretary. Their contact details are on the back page of this SINS.

Arthur Vince, SWOA Secretary

COLOUR CODED AWARDS

There have been no applications for Colour Coded Awards this month. Now that the new season has started, please remember to claim your Colour Award

To qualify you must be within the first 50% of all starters or within 1½ times the winner's time in the results on the same colour course, 3 times in any 2 years.

For WHITE courses you only need to complete the course 3 times.

STRING COURSE (PURPLE) is for any young person who does not already hold any other colour award, and who has completed 3 string courses.

To obtain a colour coded badge award please let me have the 3 dates on which you qualified (anywhere in Britain) and £1 for Juniors (20 & under) or £2 for Seniors (21 & over). These prices are subsidised by S.W.O.A. If applying by post please make cheques payable to S.W.O.A. and enclose a stamped addressed envelope. My address is: 6, York Gardens, Clifton, Bristol BS8 4LL. Sorry no E-mail.

Anne Donnell BOK

DIARY OF THE SCOTTISH 6 DAYS

Having only been orienteering around 5 months it felt like a slightly mad decision to enter the Scottish 6 Days but from other club members' descriptions of the event I was keen not to miss it so I entered anyway. Before we went my friends were mostly encouraging but did warn me that there were "no paths, no man made features and lots and lots of hills". Another friend also told me how he had been lost for 50 minutes without seeing a single person or a single control at the previous event but that he had thoroughly enjoyed the experience anyway, so I wasn't sure what to think really!

We travelled up by car on Thursday and on arriving in Benderloch, where we were camping in the event campsite, the scenery was just stunning. It was on a peninsula with a deserted but beautiful beach surrounded by hills (or possibly small mountains).

On the Friday we went across to the island of Kerrera to do some training. Again this island was absolutely beautiful but just as I had been warned there were very few man made features and we were mostly going to have to navigate by contours, something I had never done before. My friends kindly walked me through a course and at the end of the afternoon, even despite a couple of sprained ankles, I left the island feeling I had at least some idea what a crag was and how to read the contours on the map.

Saturday was more relaxing. After putting up our massive tent (we were very glad of it later in the week when it rained) we went on a boat trip to see a seal colony. It was amazing to see the seals so close and in their natural environment. In the true spirit of orienteers we then climbed a small mountain. It was very steep but the views of the loch and countryside from the top were stunning.

When I lined up for the start on Sunday morning I was feeling very nervous again. I reminded myself my only aim for the week was to attempt to complete all 6 days, in any timeframe. I wasn't even sure I would be able to do that but it seemed like a reasonable goal.

I picked up my map and initially panic set in and I couldn't work out how to find number 1. I set off at a run (I should have walked) and spent what felt like a very long time looking for it. Luckily I managed to find it and after that I calmed down a bit. The terrain was very hard to run over as there were so many tussocks and marshes and I constantly seemed to be running up a hill but the navigational and physical challenge was brilliant, as was the atmosphere of running with so many people. With every control I found I experienced surprise but my confidence increased as I went round and I finished feeling elated.

I was feeling a lot more confident on day 2 and set off at a sprint without much thought given to navigation. Unfortunately it then took me 17 minutes to find number 1 and I had began thinking I would never find it when I did! After that I was a little more careful to plan my routes before I set off and navigated fairly well around the rest of the course. It felt less hilly but there was more bracken and marshes to contend with providing a new challenge for my navigation.

On day 3 we had much later start times and I was warned about following "elephant tracks" as they might lead me astray. I walked to number 1 this time and had more success with it. There was only a couple of hairy moments. One was when I was sprinting towards a fence from which I could navigate to number 7 by and looked up to see a control on my right. I happened to look down at my map and see it was my control number 6 and that I had almost missed it out completely so that was a bit lucky!

The next day was our much needed rest day. The weather had been slightly cool and cloudy for the past three days, perfect for running. Now, as if it knew we did not have to run that day, it was sunny and hot. We decided to go across to the island Lismore with bikes we'd hired and spent the day cycling across the island in a leisurely fashion, stopping twice for food and drinks in the cafe in the middle. The scenery was again stunning and we had a brilliant day which we rounded off with a trip to the leisure centre for a 'swim' (read 'nice sit in the sauna').

I set off for day 4 feeling enthusiastic and much more confident now I had completed 3 days. The weather let us down a bit by raining properly for the first time that week as I set off for the start. It soon cleared up but left the running very muddy and as the hills were incredibly steep that day it allowed me to try out new techniques of sliding down steep muddy hills. The navigation was really challenging in the long legs across steep valleys and open moors and I had a great time out on the course. The atmosphere at the finish was still amazing with lots of people from the club cheering as I ran in despite the weather.

Day 5 was on the peninsula the campsite was on and was probably the most boggy of all the days. At many points my foot sunk up to my knee in the mud but this just made it even more fun. My course was again very varied from the other days with lots of short legs this time.

Sadly we had now reached day 6 and I genuinely felt I did not want to go home but would quite happily have stayed for another 6 days. The walk to the start on this day was 2km with 190m of climb (as much climb as was on my whole course!) The view from the start was amazing and we could see a really long way across the loch to the Connell bridge in the distance. I think the navigation was probably the most challenging on this day as there were literally just contours, crags and a few streams but by now I was into the maps and had a brilliant time out on my run again.

I was absolutely elated at the finish that I had not only managed to complete all 6 days but also that I felt my orienteering had improved so much over the week. The atmosphere at the finish was again brilliant, as it had been every day, and I was really sorry when it was time to leave. I had a brilliant time at the Scottish 6 days, despite not having orienteered for long before, and would recommend it to anyone.

Rebecca Ellis WIM

Not wanting to embarrass myself too much, I've decided to just write a brief summary for each of my 6 days:

DAY 1: I did the wrong course

Day 2: I came 21st out of 21

Day 3: I spent 46 minutes on one control

Day 4: I was sick

Day 5: I came joint 7th!!!!!!!

Day 6: I grazed my bum on a stile

The 6 days were completely different from anything I had done before. Usually I'm the sort of person who uses paths as a way of navigation. However, in Scotland there were no paths, so I had to completely change my way of orienteering, and actually use a compass!

Finlay Stone (M14)

DEVON

This is the second time I have been to the Scottish 6 Days. We took the caravan up instead of the tent which we used last time; we did this because the west coast is known for rain and midges. But, despite our bad expectations the weather was surprisingly nice with only a few days of rain. We stayed on a lovely campsite overlooking the sea with some amazing views of hill tops and sunsets.

The atmosphere at the Scottish 6 Days was incredible; with the buzz of 3000 people all making their way to the start. There were people of all ages running their own courses from string to W/M 85.

Overall I had a great experience at Oban and I would definitely do it again in two years time.

Ellie Stone (W16) DEVON

After a few days in Scotland doing touristy things we headed to Oban. Travelling along the A85 we noticed a sign about Registration for the 6 Days in Dalmally. Having overshot we turned back and joined the early queue to collect our numbers and programmes from the Registration Team. It proved a chance also to catch up with old friends as well. The drive into Oban from Dalmally proved to be quite a long one and we were glad of the chance to look around the town and view the wonderful views from the harbour. Our self-catering accommodation was just outside Oban and was full of other orienteers. Having unpacked we were able to go exploring, into the Forestry Commission wood just to the rear of our cabin.

Dunollie and Dunstaffnage was the map for day 1 and it was firmly on the west coast by Oban, with many courses starting from the beach. The older and younger competitors had a start near the top of a hill in an exposed position overlooking the local cemetery! My course started with a downhill run before climbing up to the control and then contouring into a re-entrant. These went well, but I then had a thicket and I lost my concentration so checked just about all the thickets in the area before finding my control. Another straight forward control, before crossing the track to the start and losing my head where there was an excellent attack point and making a real mess of the control. It was then an easy run into the finish.

Ardnaskie, day 2, was on the south shore of Loch Etive. The competition area was bounded by the Oban to Glasgow railway line and the A85. I had a nearly perfect run, losing just a couple of minutes as I hesitated on the way to control 2. The views from the start area were spectacular over the Loch and towards the Day 3 area. Once on the course, I was unaware of anything but the route to the next control.

Creag Mhic Chailein was the venue for day 3. Parking was in the same place as day 2 and a traffic light controlled crossing point was set up to get competitors across the A85. This crossing was manned by Army Police and so was very efficient. An innovation was a big screen showing the progress of the Elite competitors as this was a World Ranking Event and part of the bid to secure the World Championships for 2015. Television cameras were scattered throughout the area, luckily I knew exactly where I was when I was within sight of a camera and so did not have to suffer the indignity of being viewed scratching my head! The course went well until near the end, when I fell or rather rolled down a very steep slope. Luckily no real damage was done, although it did make me lose concentration so that I made a large error on my way to the penultimate control.

On the rest day we ventured over to the closest island to Oban, Kerrera. It was a journey of just 5 minutes by passenger ferry. We were very fortunate as we arrived early and were taken over before the ferry officially started. The weather was lovely and the views stunning. Although there was a training course set up, we just looked at a couple of controls and managed to get some walking in before returning to the mainland. Queues had built up for the ferry to cross to Kerrera and the police had arrived in force to wonder at the mal - parking. Cars were squashed into the lane and parked in all the passing places almost the full two miles from Oban.

Day 4 the orienteering moved to Torinturk and it rained. The weather made the long walk to the start seem like forever, it also ensured that all the bogs were really boggy and the streams flowing well. These of course had to be the longest courses of the week, just to make sure that Devon competitors got a good soaking. My course was interesting and involved crossing a very deep ravine early on in the competition, before having a nice, mainly downhill route to the finish. Some of the longer courses involved navigating through some dense wet bracken. A special bridge had been built to cross the river on the way into the finish. Courses were limited towards the finish as there was a narrow corridor of accessible terrain between two very large areas of out of bounds.

Day 5 was at Loch Nell and Shenavallie, for those in the camp site and the overflow car parking there were buses to take competitors to the event. The weather was lovely again as the sun came out to dry all those wet clothes and shoes. The map, however, was very blue as the area consisted of small areas of open runnable high ground surrounded by marshes. The longer courses could run along the beach in places, although warnings were given about making sure that the tide was out. Again I had an excellent run, making less than a minutes worth of mistakes by over running a control by 25 metres.

Heavily laden cars made their way around the one way system to Ardchattan for day 6. We had used this area in 2001 with a similar assembly area and final control, but this

time we has a 2k walk to the start and then a 190 metre climb. It seemed to be a vertical climb and left many people without breath. Courses were designed to take one down - hill towards the finish, but my brain had been starved of oxygen on the way up and my navigation became very casual and I took some flawed route choices. The whole week was great fun and made for a relaxing week. Roll on Moray 2013.

Susan Hateley DEVON

SWOA FIXTURES

For up to date event information and further details please visit www.britishorienteering.org.uk. This list includes all SWOA fixtures on the BOF database at 24/08/2011 up to 27/11/2011 Please check BOF and club websites for latest information

2011

September

- 24th WIM **Dorset Schools League and Informal** , Avon Heath Country Park St Ives, Ringwood , SU120028
Level D
Organiser: John Warren, johnandbarbarawarren@yahoo.co.uk, 0142 54 74861 Entry On Day: Senior £5.00, Junior £2.50, Student £2.50. , Punch Type: SI, Dogs: On short lead and under close control at all times
Start Times: 2.00pm - 3.30pm www.wimborne-orienteers.org.uk/wim/index.htm
- 25th KERNO **Club Forest League 9** , Middle Bedalder Bodmin , SX145713
Level D
Organiser: Susan Morton, peter.morton2@virgin.net, 01579 363140
Entry On Day: Senior £7.00, Junior £2.00, Student £2.00. , Punch Type: SI, No dogs allowed. Start Times: 11.00 - 13.30
www.cornwallorienteering.org.uk
- 25th BOK **BOK Long O** , Moseley Green & Mallards Pike Forest of Dean , SO631087
Level C
Organiser: Richard Worrin, 01291 624834 Entry On Day: Senior £TBC, Junior £TBC, Student £TBC. , Punch Type: None,
www.bristolorienteering.org.uk

October

- 1st-2nd QO **1st QO Long - 0** , West Quontockshead Taunton , ST117410
Level D
Organiser: Andy Rimes Online entry through <http://www.fabian4.co.uk/>
No Entry On Day. Entries Close: 26/09/2011. Senior £7.00, Junior £TBC, Student £TBC , Punch Type: SI, Dogs allowed. Start Times:
<http://www.quantockorienteers.co.uk/fliers/longo11.pdf>

2nd QO Long-O , Malmsmead Lynmouth , SS794468

Organiser: Rosie Wych Online entry through <http://www.fabian4.co.uk/>
No Entry On Day. Entries Close: 26/09/2011. Senior £11.00, Junior £0.00,
Student £0.00 , Punch Type: SI, Dogs allowed. Start Times:
<http://www.quantockorienteers.co.uk/fliers/longo11.pdf>
www.quantockorienteers.co.uk

- 1st SARUM Level D **Sarum limited Colour coded & Try O event** , Vernditch Salisbury , SU040210
Organiser: Liz Yeadon, liz.turbin@tiscali.co.uk, 07990734576 Entry On Day: Senior £5.00, Junior £2.00, Student £TBC. , Punch Type: EMIT, Dogs: Dogs on leads, please Start Times: Registration:Starts from:Courses close:EMIT hire - juniors free www.sarumo.org.uk
- 1st NGOC Level D **NGOC League 1** , Minchinhampton Common Stroud , SO858013
Organiser: Alan Richards, alanthecaver@hotmail.com, 01249 713542
Entry On Day: Senior £4.00, Junior £1.00, Student £1.00. , Punch Type: SI, Start Times: Registration from 11.30. Starts 12.00 - 13.00.
www.ngoc.org.uk
- 2nd WIM Level C **WIM SW Sprint Champs** , Poundbury Dorchester , SY675905
Organiser: Di Tilsley, dijohn.tilsley@waitrose.com, 01305 889495 Postal Entry: SWOA Sprint Champs, Toll Bar Cottage, The Cross, Shillingstone, Blandford, Dorset. , DT11 0SW. Cheques payable to Wimborne Orienteers Online entry through www.fabian4.co.uk No Entry On Day. Entries Close: 26/09/2011. Senior £8.00, Junior £4.00, Student £4.00 , Punch Type: SI, No dogs allowed. Start Times: Prologue from 11amFinal from 2pm www.wimborne-orienteers.org.uk/wim/index.htm
- 9th WSX Level C **WSX Regional Event & SW Galoppen** , Sugar Hill Wareham , SY996843
Organiser: Roger Crickmore, roger.tracy@virgin.net, 01929 550 680 Postal Entry: Roger Crickmore, 2 Holly Close Sandford, Wareham, BH20 7QE, 01929 550 680, roger.tracy@virgin.net. Cheques payable to Roger Crickmore Online entry through www.fabian4.co.uk Entry On Day: Senior £9.00, Junior £2.50, Student £2.50. , Punch Type: SI, Dogs: Dogs allowed on leads on assembly area only. No dogs on courses Start Times: 10:30-12:30 www.wessex-oc.org
- 15th KERNO Level D **KERNO Club Forest League 10** , Hayle Towans Hayle , SW579412
Organiser: Rod Allday, rod@alldays.fsworld.co.uk, 01326 250733 Entry On Day: Senior £7.00, Junior £2.00, Student £2.00. , Punch Type: SI, Dogs allowed. Start Times: 11.00 - 13.30
www.cornwallorienteering.org.uk
- 15th NGOC Level D **NGOC Informal** , Blakeney Hill Lydney , SO666066
Organiser: Pat MacLeod, chairman@ngoc.org.uk, 0159 452 8128 Entry On Day: Senior £2.00, Junior £1.00, Student £1.00. , Punch Type: SI, Dogs: Dogs to be kept under control at all times Start Times: 12.30 - 14.00
www.ngoc.org.uk

- 16th DEVON **Devon League** , TBC Tavistock , SX525729
Level D Organiser: Graham Dugdale, 01626 852944 Entry On Day: Senior £TBC, Junior £TBC, Student £TBC. , Punch Type: None, www.devonorienteeing.co.uk
- 22nd BOK **BOK Saturday League** , tbc tbc
Level D Entry On Day: Senior £TBC, Junior £TBC, Student £TBC. , Punch Type: None, www.bristolorienteeing.org.uk
- 23rd WIM **WIM SW Galoppen** , Godshill Fordingbridge - Hampshire , SU180165
Level C Organiser: John Warren, johnandbarbarawarren@yahoo.co.uk, 0142 54 74861 Online entry through www.fabian4.co.uk Entry On Day: Senior £6.00, Junior £2.50, Student £2.50. , Punch Type: SI, Dogs: On short lead and under close control at all times Start Times: 10.30am - 12.30pm www.wimborne-orienteeers.org.uk/
- 30th NWO **NWO Limited Colour YOGB** , TBC Marlborough
Level D Entry On Day: Senior £TBC, Junior £TBC, Student £TBC. , Punch Type: None, northwilts.org.uk

November

- 5th NGOC **NGOC League 2** , Mallards Pike South Lydney , SO652086
Level D Organiser: Roger Coe, randvcoe@btinternet.com, 01594 510444 Entry On Day: Senior £4.00, Junior £1.00, Student £1.00. , Punch Type: SI, Dogs: To be kept under control at all times Start Times: Registration from 11.30. Starts 12.00 - 13.00 www.ngoc.org.uk
- 5th SARUM **SARUM SWJS Sprint event** , Sandy Balls Fordingbridge , SU169146
Level D Organiser: Nigel Benham, nigel.benham@btopenworld.com, 01725 511304 Entry On Day: Senior £TBC, Junior £TBC, Student £TBC. , Punch Type: EMIT, Start Times: TBAEMIT hire: juniors free www.sarumo.org.uk
- 12th BOK **BOK Western Night League** , Ashton Court Bristol
Level D Entry On Day: Senior £TBC, Junior £TBC, Student £TBC. , Punch Type: None, www.bristolorienteeing.org.uk
- 12th WIM **WIM Dorset Schools League and Informal** , Kingston Lacy NT Estate
Level D Wimborne Entry On Day: Senior £TBC, Junior £TBC, Student £TBC. , Punch Type: None, www.wimborne-orienteeers.org.uk/wim/index.htm
- 13th DEVON **Devon Galoppen including an Yvette Baker Trophy Heat** , Holne Moor
Level C Ashburton , SX694703

Organiser: John Dyson, 01395 512416 Entry On Day: Senior £TBC,
Junior £TBC, Student £TBC. , Punch Type: None,
www.devonorienteeing.co.uk

- 19th BOK **BOK Saturday League** , Overscourt Wood Bristol , ST687748
Level D Organiser: Jenny Selley, 0117 9756545 Entry On Day: Senior £TBC,
Junior £TBC, Student £TBC. , Punch Type: None,
www.bristolorienteeing.org.uk
- 19th NWO **NGOC Limited Colour YOGB** , TBC Brinkworth, Swindon
Level D Entry On Day: Senior £TBC, Junior £TBC, Student £TBC. , Punch Type:
None, northwilts.org.uk
- 20th KERNO **KERNO Club Forest League 11** , Smugglers' Cove Fowey , SX113507
Level D Organiser: Richard Bown, jeanniebown@yahoo.co.uk, 01726 843491
Entry On Day: Senior £7.00, Junior £2.00, Student £2.00. , Punch Type:
SI, No dogs allowed. Start Times: 11.00 - 13.30
www.cornwallorienteeing.org.uk
- 20th QO **QO Forest League 1** , St Audries Williton , ST117410
Level D Organiser: Mark Maynard, mayn8599@btinternet.com Entry On Day:
Senior £7.00, Junior £2.00, Student £TBC. , Punch Type: SI, Start Times:
Starts 11am to 1pm. www.quantockorientees.co.uk
- 26th SARUM **SARUM Dorset Schools League & Night O event** , Collingbourne
Level D Ludgershall , SU271527
Organiser: Liz Yeadon, liz.turbin@tiscali.co.uk, 07990734576 Entry On
Day: Senior £TBC, Junior £TBC, Student £TBC. , Punch Type: EMIT,
Dogs: On leads, please Start Times: Registration:Starts from:Courses
close:EMIT hire: juniors free www.sarumo.org.uk
- 26th NGOC **NGOC Informal** , Sallowvallets Coleford, Glos. , SO608116
Level D Organiser: Alan Starling, alanandellen@googlemail.com, 01793 320054
Entry On Day: Senior £2.00, Junior £1.00, Student £1.00. , Punch Type:
SI, Dogs: To be kept under control at all times Start Times: 12.30 - 14.00
www.ngoc.org.uk
- 26th QO **QOAD1 Night Event** , Dead Women's Ditch Taunton , ST162382
Level D Organiser: Brian Pearson, bjeuph@googlemail.com, 01823 252407 Entry
On Day: Senior £TBC, Junior £TBC, Student £TBC. , Punch Type: SI,
Dogs allowed. www.quantockorientees.co.uk
- 27th BOK **BOK Galoppen & ASO League 3** , Wavering Down Mendips , ST410560
Level C Organiser: Alan Honey, 01225310880 Entry On Day: Senior £TBC,
Junior £TBC, Student £TBC. , Punch Type: None,
www.bristolorienteeing.org.uk

RESULTS

SCOTTISH 6 DAYS

1st Place

W70L	Vikki Crawford	WIM
W80	Anne Donnell	BOK

2nd Place

M45L	Clive Hallett	BOK
W75S	Barbara Warren	WIM
W80	Pat Grenfell	BOK

3rd Place

M18S	Jack Kelsey	BOK
M21L	Ben Chesters	SARUM
M75L	Bill Vigar	QO
W21S	Hanna Kinnunen	BOK

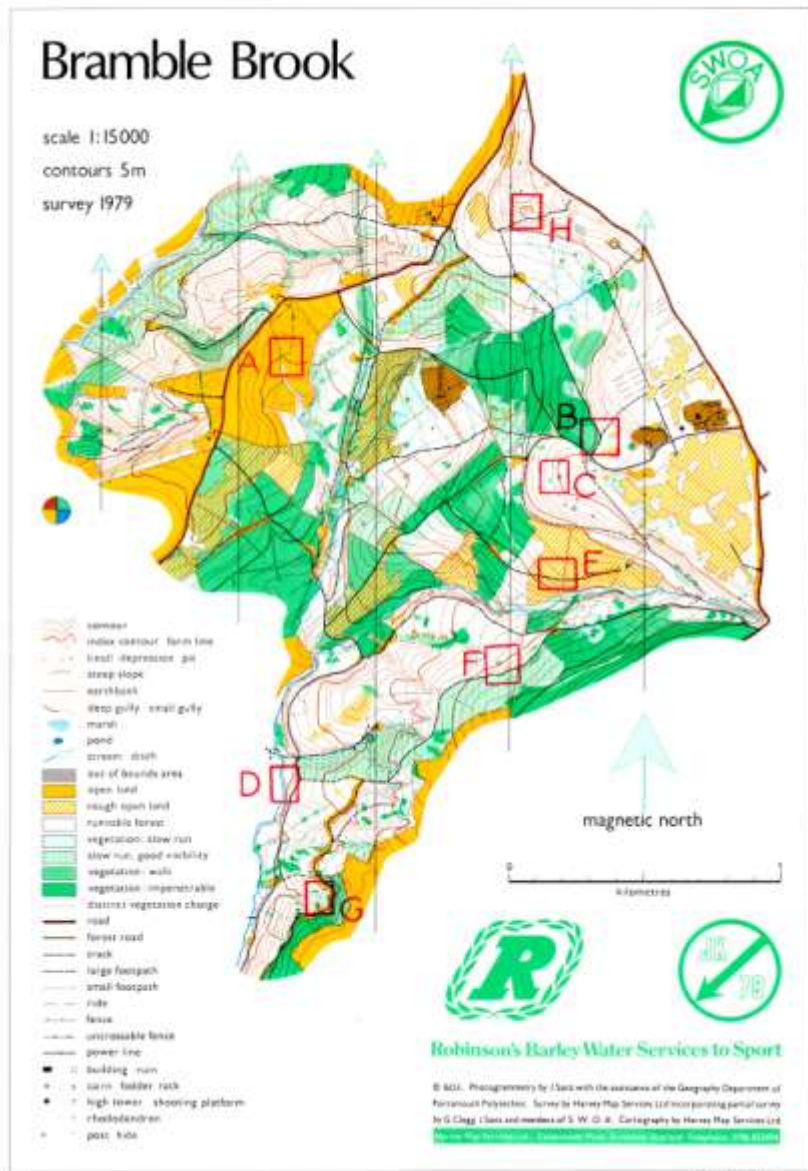
Other top 10 placings

M10A	8 th	Wilf Thompson	BOK
M12B	4 th	Duncan White	SARUM
M14A	10 th	Michael Hallett	BOK
M14B	10 th	Kit Benjamin	BOK
M16B	6 th	Angus Milne	BOK
M55L	6 th	Rob Parkinson	DEVON
M65L	4 th	Neil Cameron	NGOC
M65L	6 th	Dudley Budden	BOK
M65L	9 th	David Palmer	BOK
M70L	9 th	Arthur Boyt	KERNO
M75L	10 th	David Parkin	BOK
M80	4 th	Richard Arman	WSX
W10A	10 th	Rachael Potter	BOK
W21S	4 th	Helen Hanstock	SARUM
W50L	7 th	Jackie Hallett	BOK
W55L	4 th	Alison Simmons	BOK
W60S	8 th	Christine King	BOK
W65S	7 th	Susan Hateley	DEVON

Volunteers

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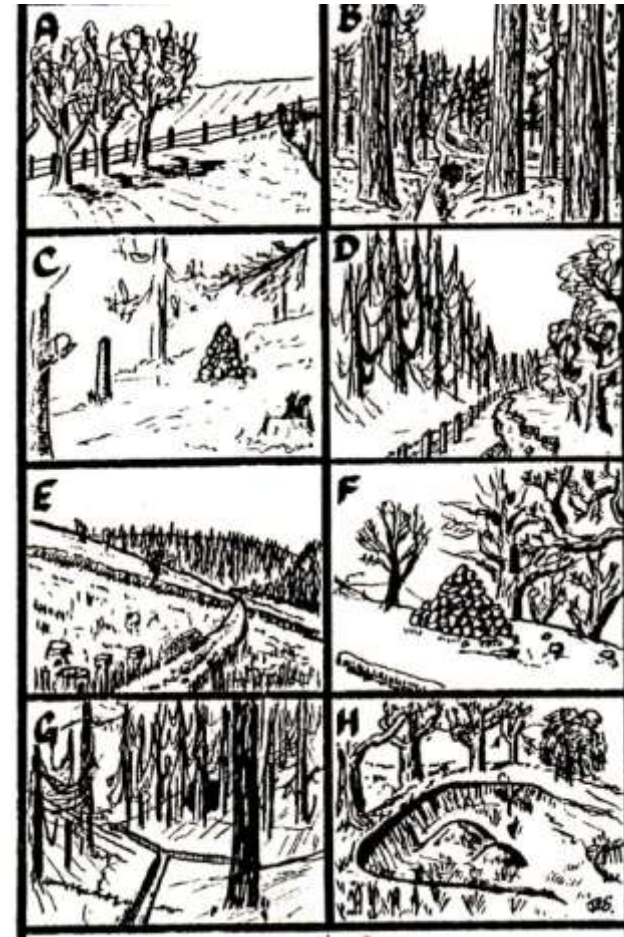
ARMCHAIR ORIENTEERING
 Taken from John Searle's activities.



Map Orientation

It is important for an orienteer to hold the map in such a way that the layout of the features on the map is the same as the orienteer sees in front of them. This is called “orientating the map”, and it means that any edge of the map might need to be held uppermost. A map is never upside-down – unless you’re looking at the plain back!

Each of the following sketches represents a scene in the correspondingly lettered square on the Bramble Brook map. Which way up (N, NE, E, SE, etc) must the map be held in each case in order to be correctly orientated?



CHAIRMAN'S CHALLENGE RELAYS

Final Positions

(The scores for the NWO and SARUM Moonraker Relays are omitted. They were published in the previous edition of SINS)

Club	BOK Posn	Wessex		Devon		Wimborne		Total	Best 4	
		Score	Posn	Score	Posn	Score	Posn			
Wessex	2	47	1	50	1	50	1	50	287	200(4)
Wim	10	38	2	47			2	47	224	186(4)
Sarum			1	50			5	43	184	184(4)
QO	mp	0	3	45	5	43	7	41	217	176(4)
BOK	1	50							97	97(2)
NGOC	7	44							85	85(2)
N.W.O									80	80(2)
Kerno					2	47			47	47(1)
Devon					3	45			43	45(1)
Kingswood5		43							43	43(1)

Note Wessex Hardy Relays. Wessex won the Senior Relay and Sarum the Vets Relay. Hence 50 points each.

This year's series was more interesting than before with more teams competing. Although Wessex won the runners up spot was keenly contested and went to the final event at Bovington. Congratulations to Wessex. Who will beat you?

Mike Crockett QO

GALOPPEN DATES FOR 2011/2012

The provisional dates for the Galoppen for the new season are listed below. Only those in the Fixtures list given earlier in the newsletter are fixed.

WSX	9 th October 2011	Sugar Hill, Warehan
WIM	23 rd October 2011	Godshill, Fordinbridge.
DEVON	13 th November 2011	Holne Moor, Dartmoor
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